## **REMARKS**

Claims 2-24 are now pending in the present application which is a continuation application of previously co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/970,930. Claims presented herein were previously examined and allowed by the Examiner in this parent patent application which has since been abandoned. Therefore, Applicant asserts that the pending claims are in condition for allowance.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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